

BEFORE THE INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

CASE NO. 1550
ORDER NO. 1687

IN THE MATTER OF A HEARING CALLED ON A
MOTION OF THE COMMISSION TO CONSIDER THE
APPLICATION OF CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY
FOR AN ORDER TO PERMIT THE DEVIATION OF
THE WELL BORE OF THE DICKINSON UNIT WELL
NO. 60 LOCATED IN SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 139
NORTH, RANGE 97 WEST, STARK COUNTY,
NORTH DAKOTA.

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

BY THE COMMISSION:

Pursuant to legal notice, this cause came on for hearing at 1:30 p.m. on the 1st day of May, 1978, in Bismarck, North Dakota, before Wesley D. Norton, Trial Examiner appointed for the purpose by the Industrial Commission of North Dakota, hereinafter referred to as the "Commission."

NOW, on this 3rd day of May, 1978, the Commission, a quorum being present, having considered the testimony adduced and the exhibits received at said hearing, and being fully advised in the premises,

FINDS:

(1) That the Commission has proceeded according to law in the exercise of its jurisdiction of this case and the subject matter thereof.

(2) That the applicant has drilled the Dickinson Unit Well No. 60, located in the SE/4 of the NE/4 of Section 2, Township 139 North, Range 97 West, Stark County, North Dakota, to total depth and at that bottom hole location said well would not produce oil in economic quantity.

(3) That the applicant requested permission to plug back up the hole and directionally drill to a bottom hole location of 1100 feet from the east line and 760 feet from the north line of Section 2, Township 139 North, Range 97 West, Stark County, North Dakota.

(4) That all acreage is within the boundary of the Dickinson Heath Unit, Stark County, North Dakota.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

(1) That Continental Oil Company be, and is hereby permitted to deviate the well bore of the Dickinson Unit Well No. 60, located in Section 2, Township 139 North, Range 97 West, Stark County, North Dakota, and complete in the Heath Pool at a point approximately 1100 feet from the east line and 760 feet from the north line of said Section 2.

(2) That the applicant shall run a directional survey of said well and submit the results to the State Geologist.

(3) That correlative rights are protected because all acreage involved is within the Dickinson Heath Unit.

(4) That this order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

DONE, in Bismarck, North Dakota, this 3rd day of May, 1978.

THE NORTH DAKOTA
INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

/s/ Arthur A. Link
Arthur A. Link, Governor

/s/ Allen I. Olson
Allen I. Olson, Attorney General

Myron Just, Commissioner of Agriculture